



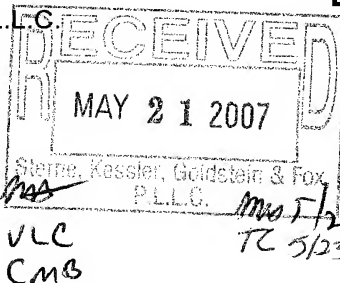
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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/25/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 09/25/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/25/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 11/09/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/25/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 09/25/2006
- Specification filed on 09/25/2006
- Claims filed on 09/25/2006
- Abstracts filed on 09/25/2006

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Additional claim fees of \$4350 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

Excess Fee, Decl, Late oath/decl surcharge, Appln size Fee due  
 July 18, 2007  
 STAT BACK due December 18, 2007

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$5230** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.
  - The specification and drawings contain more than 100 pages. Applicant owes **\$750** for **122** pages in excess of **100** pages for a non-small entity.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$ 4350**
  - **\$3600** for **18** independent claims over 3.
  - **\$750** for **15** total claims over 20.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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